COUNTY COUNCIL

OF

TALBOT COUNTY

2022 Legislative Session, Legislative Day No.: March 8, 2022

Resolution No.: 315

Introduced by: Mr. Callahan, Mr. Divilio, Mr. Lesher, Mr. Pack, Ms. Price

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TALBOT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE WATER AND SEWER PLAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING OR MODIFYING THE TALBOT COUNTY CAPITAL PROJECT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024 TO ADD A NEW CAPITAL PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8.6 MILLION FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPLACING THE TOWN OF EASTON'S GLEBE WATER TREATMENT PLANT WITH UPGRADED TECHNOLOGY

By the Council: March 8, 2022

Introduced, read the first time, and ordered posted, with Public Hearing scheduled on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bradley Meeting Room, South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse, 11 North Washington Street, Easton, Maryland 21601.

By order: Susan W. Moran, Secretary

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WHEREAS, the Talbot County Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan (the "CWSP") contains capital projects for water and sewer service in Talbot County, Maryland, (the "County"); and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Talbot County, (the "County Council") desires to amend the CWSP for the purpose of including the capital project identified by Easton Utilities for Fiscal Years 2023 and 2024 into Table 7 of the CWSP, entitled "Easton Water System Capital Improvement Projects;" and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of Md. Code Ann., Envir. § 9-506(a)(1)(i), the proposed CWSP amendment set forth herein has been submitted to the Talbot County Planning Commission (the "Planning Commission"), as well as to the Talbot County Public Works Advisory Board, for review for consistency with planning programs for the area; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2022, the Planning Commission certified that the proposed CWSP amendment set forth herein is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan as required by Md. Code Ann., Envir. 506(a)(1)(ii);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Talbot County Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION ONE: The above recitals are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION TWO: This project will replace the Town of Easton Glebe Water Treatment Plant with a new water treatment plant with upgraded technology. The proposed plant will improve drinking water quality for the Town of Easton and will increase the reliability and resiliency of the drinking water system.

SECTION THREE: The proposed Town of Easton Glebe Water Treatment Plant is currently in the schematic design phase, with GHD, Inc. having completed the design report on October 5, 2021.

SECTION FOUR: The proposed Town of Easton Glebe Water Treatment Plant serves 1,632 commercial properties and 6,877 residential properties, with an estimated 9,000 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs) being served by this water treatment plant.

SECTION FIVE: The engineering estimate to complete this project is \$8.6 million.

SECTION SIX: On January 31, 2022, the County submitted an application to the Maryland Department of the Environment ("MDE") seeking grant and loan funds for this capital project.

SECTION SEVEN: Table 7 of the CWSP, entitled "Easton Water System Capital Improvement Projects," shall be amended as follows:

TABLE 7. EASTON WATER SYSTEM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS		
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR	COMMENTS
Glebe Water Treatment Plant replacement with upgraded technology - \$8.6 million	2023 2024	This project will provide improved drinking water to 1,632 commercial properties and 6,877 residential properties and serve an estimated 9,000 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs).

SECTION EIGHT: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon the date of its adoption.

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and Notice, Time and Place of Hearing, and Title of Resolution No. 315 having been published, a public hearing was held on <u>Tuesday, April 12, 2022</u> at 6:30 p.m. and on <u>Tuesday, April 26, 2022</u> at 6:30 p.m. in the Bradley Meeting Room, South Wing, Talbot County Courthouse, 11 North Washington Street, Easton, Maryland.

BY THE COUNCIL

Read the second time:

Adopted: **April 26, 2022**

y Order: Swan W. Moran

Susan W. Moran, Secretary

Callahan - Aye

Divilio - Aye

Lesher - Aye

Price - Aye

Pack - Aye

Effective: April 26, 2022